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Enhanced Data Cable with Cross-Twist Cabled Core Profile

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO THE DUTY OF DISCLOSURE UNDER 37 CFR §§1.56, 1.97 AND 1.98

Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the Applicant requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

PART I: Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97

This Information Disclosure Statement has been filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the above-identified case. No fee or certification is required.

PART II - Information Cited

The Applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the information listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified) and shown on the attached images of a cable manufactured by Belden Wire and Cable. The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

PART III: Remarks Concerning Information Cited

The attached images of a sample of Belden 1711A Datatwist 300 4PR23 shielded cable show a construction including a central core having twisted pairs of wire disposed thereabout. The core and pairs have an overall foil shield and are encased in an outer jacket. The images also illustrate other construction details. The sample bears a date marking of 9/11/1995.

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PART IV: Remarks

A copy of each of the above-identified information is enclosed unless otherwise indicated on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). It is respectfully requested that:

- 1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
- 2. The enclosed form PTO-1449 be signed by the Examiner to evidence that the cited information has been fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application;
- 3. The citations for the information be printed on any patent which issues from this application.

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that a search has been performed, of the extent of any search performed, or that more relevant information does not exist.

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b).

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, in fact, prior art as defined by 35 U.S.C. §102.

Notwithstanding any statements by the Applicant, the Examiner is urged to form his own conclusion regarding the relevance of the cited information.

An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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